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In re Application of :  
JORDAN, Peter, et al. :  
Application No.: 10/019,889 :  
PCT No.: PCT/EP00/05263 :  
Int. Filing Date: 07 June 2000 :  
Priority Date: 29 June 1999 :  
Attorney's Docket No.: 72.054 :  
For: MACHINE HAVING A TYPE PLATE :  
COMPRISING A STORAGE DEVICE :

DECISION ON

PAPERS

UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.42

On 28 December 2001, applicants filed papers for entry into the national stage in the United States. The declaration indicated that one inventor is deceased. This has been treated as a request for status under 37 CFR 1.42.

### **BACKGROUND**

On 07 June 2000, applicants filed international application PCT/EP00/05263, which claimed a priority date of 29 June 1999 and which designated the United States. A copy of the international application was communicated to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) from the International Bureau on 11 January 2001.

A Demand electing the United States was filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority on 24 October 2000. The election was made prior to the expiration of the nineteen months from the priority date. As a result, the deadline for payment of the basic national fee was extended to expire thirty months from the priority date, i.e., 31 December 2001 (29 December 2001 was a Saturday).

On 28 December 2001, applicants filed a submission for entry into the national stage in the United States which was accompanied by, *inter alia*, the U.S. Basic National Fee and a declaration.

### **DISCUSSION**

Under 37 CFR 1.42, in case of the death of the inventor, the legal representative (executor, administrator, etc.) of the deceased inventor may make the necessary oath or declaration, and apply for and obtain the patent.

The declaration is signed by inventors Frank Meyer-Hessing, Michael Steffen, Jean Borun and Jürgen Röming and provides their citizenships, residences and mailing addresses. Additionally, the declaration identifies Christina Jordan as "administratorix" [*sic.*] of deceased inventor Peter Jordan and provides the citizenship, residence and mailing address of the legal representative in addition to the citizenship, and last known mailing address and residence of Peter Jordan.

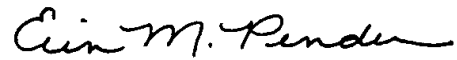
**CONCLUSION**

For the above reasons, the request for status under 37 C.F.R. 1.42 is **GRANTED**.

The application has an international filing date of 07 June 2000 under 35 U.S.C. §363 and a date of 28 December 2001 under 35 U.S.C. §371. This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Division of the Office of the PCT Operations for continued processing.



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